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REMARKS

Notice of Allowability

Applicants sincerely thank the Examiner for the courtesy she extended to Applicants' representative during the Examiner initiated telephone call of October 3, 2005. During that conversation, the pending claims were discussed and the Examiner suggested that cancellation of Claims 6, 7, 9, and 11-13 would put the claims in condition for allowance. Applicants' representative agreed with the Examiner's suggestions. The substance and complete record of the interview is incorporated in the Examiner's Amendment, accompanying the Notice of Allowability mailed October 20, 2005.

M.P.E.P. 713.04 states that "Where a complete record of the interview has been incorporated in an examiner's amendment, it will not be necessary for the examiner to complete an Interview Summary form." Thus, Applicants submit that no Interview Summary form was necessary in the captioned case. Applicants respectfully submit that if the Examiner found it useful to supply an Interview Summary form, according to M.P.E.P. 713.04 Form PTOL-413B would have been a more proper form for the Examiner to use in cases of Examiner initiated interviews, such as this one. In any case, Applicants respectfully submit that since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application, and since the Examiner provided a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability, it is not necessary for Applicants to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Interview Summary, mailed November 16, 2005

Applicants contacted the Examiner on November 16, 2005 regarding an IDS submitted on 2-11-2005, which was not initialed by the Examiner. The above-identified Interview Summary confirms that after that initial contact, the Examiner reviewed the submitted IDS and concluded that it did not raise any new issues regarding the patentability of the allowed claims. The initialed copy of the PTO/SB/08 Equivalent was faxed to Applicants.

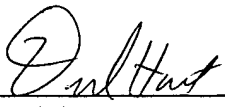
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No fee is believed due in connection with this submission. If this is not correct, please charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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